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In re/ Application of R. J. Steffan
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TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a one (1) month extension of time, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), to respond to the Office Action, dated December 5, 2005, from March 5, 2006 to April 5, 2006. The Reply to the Office Action is enclosed with this Petition.

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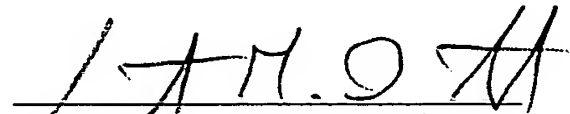
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